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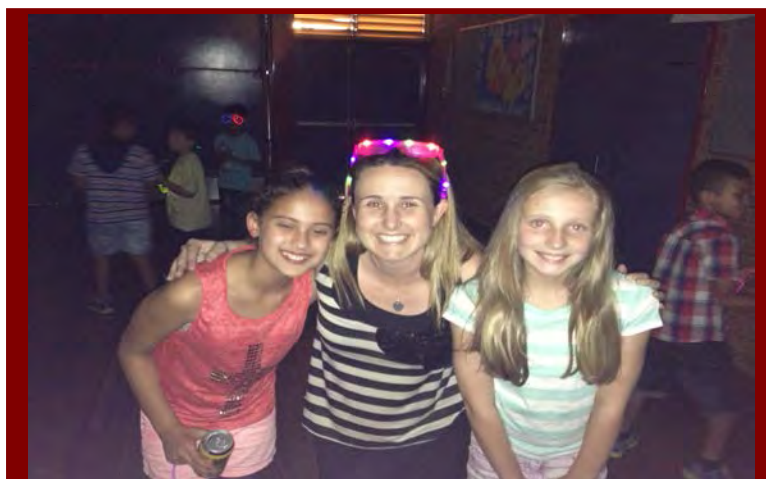


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A picture says a thousand words.....



Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Next week is going to be a busy week at Prestons PS with a lot of GREAT opportunities for parents and carers to participate in school life. I hope that many of you can participate in these opportunities.

PARENT WORKSHOP – HELPING YOUR CHILD WITH Maths

Next TUESDAY morning, Mrs Maryanne Lakeman (Priority Schools Program Partnership Officer), will be presenting a parent workshop on Maths. The workshop will be held in the Connect Classroom (located across from the Library) from 9:30am-11:00am. There will be some great strategies presented to help your child and also some take home resources. I hope many of you can attend.

P&C Meeting – last one for 2013!!

On Tuesday night, the P&C will be meeting for the last time this year. The meeting will commence in the staffroom at 6pm. Some of the topics up for discussion include: a review of the hugely successful movie night (and possible planning for future events), discussion of projects occurring around the school and facility upgrades schedules for 2014, staffing changes for 2014, class organisation for 2014 etc. I hope I can see many of you there for our final meeting.

School Captain Speeches for 2014

Next Wednesday morning, the Year 5 candidates for School Captain 2014 will be presenting their speeches to the students prior to the elections. Parents and carers of the candidates are warmly invited to join us for this event. The speeches will commence at 9:30am in the School Hall.

PARENT SURVEY – Management

Each year as part of the Annual School Report, schools evaluate one of five areas outlined by the DEC using a survey tool called SchoolMap. **This year, we will be evaluating Management.** Accompanying this newsletter is a brief survey form. We ask that all families complete and return the survey **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 29th November**, so that we can report on the data and effectively review the management structures in the school. PLEASE NOTE – The survey is anonymous, so names are not required on the survey.

Mark Greentree – Principal

2013 DATES TO REMEMBER

26/11/2013
P&C Meeting - 6pm

3/12/2013
K-2 Movie Day

5/12/2013
Sport Presentation Day

6/12/2013
Presentation Day

9/12/2013
Yr 6 Farewell

13/12/2013
Class Party & Reward Day

17/12/2013
Yr 6 Fun Day

Sport Highlights

PSSA Sport Venues for Friday 22nd November

Cricket

JNR & SNR A Team
Phillips Park, Lurnea

JNR & SNR B Team
Amalfi Park, Lurnea

All outstanding Summer PSSA fees are now due

School Information

Assembly Information

K-2 – Every Wednesday commencing at **2.20pm**

3-6 – Every 2nd Thursday- Even Weeks commencing at **2.15pm**

Upcoming Events

- **Tuesday 3rd December 2013**
K-2 Movie Day
Cost: **\$11** Due by 29/11/2013
- **Monday 9th December 2013**
Yr 6 Farewell
Liverpool Catholic Club
5:45pm – 9:30pm
Cost: **\$30** Due by 2/12/2013
- **Friday 13th December 2013**
Class Parties & Reward Day
Students will be advised what to bring by their teachers.
- **Tuesday 17th December 2013**
Yr 6 Fun Day
Narellan Movies
Cost: **\$20** Due by 29/11/2013
Students to depart school by 8.50am

Friday PSSA & Primary Sport

Please make sure that your child has **plenty of drinks, a school hat and sunscreen** with them on Fridays. This will ensure that they are protected from the sun and well hydrated.

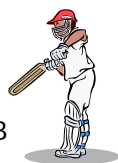
PSSA Results from Round 9

JUNIOR A & B Cricket

Prestons A defeated Prestons B
97 runs to 86 runs

SENIOR A & B Cricket

Prestons B defeated Prestons A
78 runs to 65 runs



Office Hours & Uniform Sales

Our office opening hours are from 8:30am – 3.15pm. Uniforms can be purchased during these times, Monday to Friday.



The office will be open for uniform sales till Friday the 20th December 2013 and will reopen on Tuesday the 28th January 2014.

Book Club



Issue 8 book club orders have been distributed to students. Orders are due back to the office no later than 2nd December.

Ready For High School

Just to let you know that the Transition to high school, Ready for High School Checklist is now available in 36 languages.

Search by language:

http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/language-support/documents/start_ss/rfhsc.php

Planning For The Future

Throughout your child's school life you'll need to make choices about aspects of their education and future. Here's a selection of tips to help you plan for parent-teacher talks, subject selection, careers advice and back-to-school.

Planning for the future:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/planning-for-the-future>

Maths at home

Kids' early experiences with measurement are often based on watching their parents. Seeing mum or dad measure and pour ingredients for a recipe or weigh items at the fruit shop will often become part of their play. Maths at home:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/mathematics/mathematics-tips/helping-your-child-measure-mass-and-volume>

School Choir Performing at the K-Mart Wishing Tree

Last Wednesday, students from the Prestons Public School choir helped celebrate the opening of the K- Mart wishing tree. Our students did a marvellous job singing lots of wonderful Christmas Carols! Thanks to all the parents, caregivers and friends who were there to support our students.



Classroom Chat with

KA

With only another 4 weeks left of term, KA have been working very hard and enjoying their last moments of Kindergarten. During Literacy, we have been learning to write information reports about different animals. This week we are investigating Tigers. Check out some of our fantastic work:



KA loved rolling out of bed last week and coming to school in their pyjamas! Our buddies came in to help us learn about our HSIE unit on reducing, reusing and recycling waste. I think we all looked pretty trendy! What do you think?



In our TEN maths groups this week, KA are using playing cards to solve addition and subtraction problems. They have been doing an awesome job so far and I am extremely proud of how far they have all come! Well done KA!



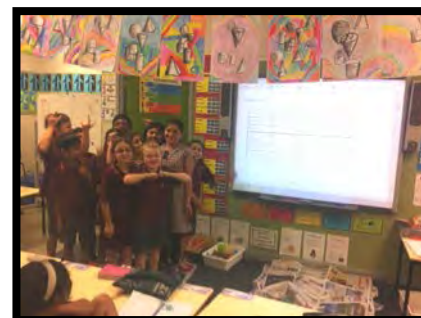
Miss Janabi ☺

3SH

Like in all the other classes, 3SH have been very busy for term 4!

We are all excited for the upcoming events coming up in term 4 and of course the holiday break.

In Space and Measurement we have been learning about measuring length and area in metres. As well as solving problems in the classroom, we have been out and about the playground measuring places like the asphalt and the courts. For fun we decided to estimate and then find out 'How many 3SH students fit into a square metre?', and here are the results!



School Disco



What a fantastic night! It was great to see the school community supporting our Year 6 fundraiser. The hall was an amazing sight, lit up in many different colours from all of the glow sticks. Students and teachers enjoyed the music, dancing the night away.

Thank you on behalf of all the Year 6 teachers and students.



Mayor Ned Mannoun
and Councillors invite you to

Free Event!

Special Guest Santa

Carols & Brass Band

Christmas Lights Up Liverpool

Thursday 28 November 2013, 6.30pm

Get in the festive spirit and come along to the annual Christmas tree lighting in Macquarie Mall. There will be performances from the 100 Voices Liverpool Youth Choir, Kingz Band with Christian Gallardo, Liverpool Brass Band as well as a special visit from Santa.

Learn *Music* on *keyboard* in **2014**
Prestons Public School

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- * Instrument not required initially
- * Music material provided
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- * Convenient at-school venue

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(business hours during school term)

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Christmas Family Night **FREE**

B.I.Y. Information Co. B.I.Y. Info

Thursday 5th December 6pm – 8pm

- Santa's Little Helper Kids Workshops
- Gift Wrapping service
- Meet Santa in store
- Light refreshments will be provided

Bookings essential – for more information or to book speak to a team member in-store.

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